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The British Apollo:

OR,

Curious Amuſements for the INGENIOUS.

To which are Added the moſt

Material Occurrences Foreign and Domeſtick.

Perform'd by ſome of the Society of GENTLEMEN, *Concern'd in the Firſt and Second* VOLUME, *with the Aſſiſtance of other Ingenious* PERSONS.

From Wedneſday July 12th. to Friday July 14th. 1710.

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Learned APOLLO.

Q. *THOSE many Perfections of Mind, which ſo Eminently and Conſpicuouſly ſhine in all your Works, Baffles all Panegyricks and Encomiums, ſince what would be thought Great and almoſt Impracticable in any other, are but the eaſy and natural Emanations of your Bright Soul, your noble Notions on Sacred Scripture, ſo Commenſurate to Divine Truths, call forth our higheſt Attention and Admiration, from our beſt Inſtructed Reaſon. I beg therefore your Interpretation of this Text,* Coloſ. Chap. 2d. *part of the* 18th. Ver.

Let no Man Beguile you of your Reward, in a Voluntary Humility, and Worſhipping of Angels, Intruding into thoſe things which he hath not ſeen.

Worthy Gentlemen, *Your ſpeedy Anſwer will higly Oblige her, that is your moſt Devoted*

Humble Servant, H——h B——r.

A. The Senſe of theſe Words is well enough Explain'd by the following Paraphraſe; "Suffer no "Man to Uſurp the Power of Domineering over "your Conſciences as if they were Guilty in theſe "Things; or let no Man Defraud you of the Prize "that is ready at the Goal for you, by drawing "you aſide, under Pretence of Voluntary Humili-"ty to thoſe Opinions and Obſervances which are "not warrantable, as to uſe Angels for your "Mediators, under a Color of awful Modeſty, "in not making your immediate Addreſs to God "himſelf." From this Text the *Proteſtants* juſtly urge various Arguments againſt the Groundleſs Doctrin of Praying to Angels. For, 1. The Apoſtle ſays that thoſe that Cheriſh this Error deprive the Faithful of their Reward. 2 He calls this Worſhip *Voluntary*, as being an Invention of Man, and not the Commandument of God. 3 He ſays *Humility* is the pretended Ground of this Practice, when notwithſtanding it really proceeds from Mens being *Puffed up by their Fleſhly Mind*, which diſpoſes them to appear Wiſer than God. Than which Words nothing can more directly Touch upon the *Papiſts* Pretence of *Humility* in this Obſervance. 4. He Subjoins in the next Verſe, *Holding not the Head*, meaning that they hereby fall from *Chriſt*, as making others partake of the Worſhip and Office which is only due to him: For he is the only Mediator between God and Men.

Q. *Suppoſing a Hole bored through the Earth Diametrically, and that a Stone were let fall into it, Query, where would it ſtop?*

A. The Common Anſwer is that it will ſtop when it comes to the Center; but this is only ſaid by thoſe that are unacquainted with the Laws of Motion. We doubt not therefore but it will appear a ſtrange Paradox to our Vulgar Readers, if we ſhou'd aſſert, that the Stone will never ſtop, but will continue its Motion backward and forward thro' the Globe for ever; which notwithſtanding we leave to the Judgment of Mathematicians whether the following Reaſon do's not Demonſtrate. It is known that the Motion of Bodies Deſcending by their own Gravity is accelerated; and it is demonſtrated that this Celerity is Proportionate to the Times from the beginning of the Deſcent; ſo that if, for Inſtance, a Body Deſcends 20 Foot in the firſt Second of Time, in the next Second it will acquire a double Celerity and move 40 Foot; and ſo again after the third Second of Time it will gain a Celerity equal to the two former, and

ſo of the Reſt. But by this Acceleration it will gain ſuch a Force by the Time that it comes to the Center, as muſt neceſſarily carry it beyond the Center towards the oppoſite ſide of the Globe. But it is likewiſe demonſtrated that the Motion of Bodies thrown directly upwards is Retarded in the ſame Proportion as that of Deſcending Bodies is accelerated; and therefore the Force which the Body had gain'd in its Deſcent will not be wholly Spent till it reaches the Circumference of the oppoſite ſide of the Globe. Which when it has done it will be forced by its innate Gravity to return back again, and ſo continue renewing and diminiſhing its Force in equal Proportions at equal diſtances from the Center for ever, and the time of Aſcent and Deſcent will be likewiſe always equal. In Oppoſition to what we have ſaid, ſome perhaps may imagine, that there is the ſame Reaſon why theſe Reciprocal Motions of the Stone ſhou'd at laſt ceaſe and it made to reſt in the Center, as there is for the ceaſing of the Vibrations of a Pendulum. And if indeed according to the Common received Opinion we admit the Reſiſtance of the Medium to be the true Reaſon why the Pendulums Motion is at laſt made to ceaſe, we ſhou'd be forced to grant that the Reciprocations of the Stone are Subject to the ſame Impediment. But *Galileo* has fairly Confuted this Notion and proved that the Ceſſation of the Pendulums Motion is owing to another Principle which the Curious Readers may ſee, *Dial. 2do Syſtem. C ſm.* But the Cauſe by him there Aſſigned peculiarly concerns the Pendulum. and cannot be apply'd in the Preſent Caſe.

Q. Gentlemen, *Being a Young Woman of no mean Family, but of no great Fortune (I ſome Months before I came to the Age of* 21 *Years, and without my Parents Knowledg) took a clean Occaſion to let a Young Gentleman of good Qualifications (though no way my Superior) underſtand that I had ſome favorable Thoughts of him. He hereupon Embrac'd all Opportunities of Converſe with me,—quickly enterprized a Private Courtſhip to me, to encourage which, I very often gave him my Company. This at laſt became known to, and was equally diſapprov'd of by my Parents; we nevertheleſs perſiſted in our Amours, till ſome Months after I came of Age (which he was of before, and at his full Liberty alſo, to Marry as he pleas'd) when he not preſſing it on his ſide, I (contrary to the methods of our Sex I confeſs) took on me to put the Queſtion to my Lover whether we ſhould be Married? He Conſented. We privately then between our ſelves fix'd the time. But alas! from the Moment of our then parting (which was above a Year ſince) I have not ſo much as once ſeen or heard from him. Nay, what is worſe, I'm inform'd he is ſpeedily to be Married to another.*

Now, upon the whole my Requeſt to you is, that you would favor me ſo far as to ſay in your Paper as ſoon as poſſible, whether his Marriage with another can be Valid in point of Law; whether in point of Conſcience it can be Conſummated without the Guilt of Adultery in him: And whether if I ſhould Marry another before him (or even afterwards) I ſhould not be guilty of the ſame Sin. Pray, Gentlemen, *Anſwer with what ſpeed you can and You'll for ever Oblige,*

Your Admirer and Subſcriber, SILVIA.

A. There was indeed a Statute in 32, *H.* 8. *C.* 38. Confirming all Marriages, notwithſtanding Precontracts of Matrimony not Conſummmate with Bodily Knowledg, which either of the Parties Married had made with other Perſons. But divers Intolerable Inconveniencies following upon this Clauſe of that Statute, it was Repealed in 2, and 3, *Ed.* 6. *C.* 23. and the Buſineſs of Precontracts reduced to the Ancient State and Order of our Eccleſiaſtical Laws, by which any Perſons ſo Precontracted are never after at Liberty to Marry any other without each others Mutual Leave firſt granted; and if they do, that Marriage may be eaſily Ddiſſolved upon Complaint thereof to the Eccleſiaſtical Court, as being indeed even in Point of Conſcience no other than Adultery. For according to the known Maxim of Civilians, 'Tis Conſent not Bodily Knowledg makes a Marriage, and this is likewiſe to be allowed to be a Maxim of the Law of Nature, which conſequently muſt perpetually bind the Conſcience, ſo that any other Marriage after ſuch a Conſent will be Adultery according to the Law of our Saviour. Notwithſtanding we are of Opinion that this Contract is not of that Force either in Law or Conſcience, but that that if nothing be performed, the Obligation may ceaſe up each Party Diſſenting and receding from it; for 'tis Natural that the contrary to that which cauſes the Obligation ſhou'd be capable of making it void, unleſs by Virtue of ſome poſitive Law it cannot be reſcinded, which we believe there is not in the Preſent Caſe.

Q. Gentlemen, *Pray, what is the Reaſon that no more of the People of* England *uſe the ſame method in Speaking, as do the* Quakers; *ſince as I think they keep neareſt to the True Senſe of Words and I think if their way of Speaking was as much in Vogue (as is the contrary) it would be to the full as agreeable.*

Your Anſwer particular on this Subject will much Oblige your Humble Servant, &c.

A. Words are Arbitrary, *and* Cuſtom makes them Authentic, therefore were *their* way of Speaking as Univerſal it might be as agreeable, as what now is ſo; and far more agreeable than when it is only affected without a juſt Reaſon for it, which there cannot be. As to their Notion of Speaking in the Scripture Phraſe, there is nothing in it: For all know that *Engliſh* was not the Original Language the Scriptures were Writ in, but that what we Read, is a Tranſlation of them, and our Preſent Common Mode of Speech, is as near to the Original, as that was when the Scriptures were Tranſlated into *Engliſh.*

POEMS.

Q. YEE Muſical Sparks,
Who Sing like the Larks,
When the little Blind God *bears a part;*
But when you're on the Satyrs,
Your Lines are drawn Rapiers,
And with them you ſtrike to the Heart.

When you're in the Vein,
Of a Comical Strain,
So nicely you Matters Untwiſt,
I'm took ſo with Laughter,
Mine Eyes ran with Water,
Nay, ſometimes am almoſt Bep—t.

A Matter I have,
But not very Grave,
And yet doet of Politics *Treat,*

Of

Of a Prince, *who was Fir'd*
To the Wars, but retir'd,
Or elſe had been Swingingly Beat;

'Tis Anjou *of* France,
Who took a French *Dance,*
To ſee his Brave Army *Engage;*
And to Swallow up,
The Allies *at a ſup,*
And Talk'd like a Man a in Rage.

When to 'em he came,
To Purchaſe Great Fame,
He only juſt Smelt to their Tails;
And flew back again,
With all might and main,
That w'admire, what th' Dev'l he ails.

What Faſts *and* Proceſſions,
To paſs by Tranſgreſſions,
And Praying to Saints *for their aid;*
And yet when in Sight,
Or on Thoughts of a Fight,
Away Monſieur *Scampers diſmaid.*

His Preſence *he thought,*
Wou'd'ave Miracles wrought,
But his Courage ſo ſmall did appear;
It was not enough,
At leaſt of ſuch Proof,
To Protect Poor Peel-Garlick *from Fear.*

Now ſay, was it not,
On's 'Scutchion a Blot,
To make ſuch a Noiſe and not Fight;
About thus to Flounce,
And Hector and Bounce,
Tet ready himſelf to Beſo—te.

Or where was the Senſe,
To make ſuch pretenſe,
When after a few Weeks were over;
The World wou'd ſee plain,
He was Fooliſh and Vain,
And his Rodomontado's *diſcover.*

A. Altho' the Young *Bully,*
Did'n't Anſwer ſo fully,
The Promiſe of Proweſs h'd given;
But Hector'd and Vapor'd,
And back again Caper'd,
Or rather was back again Driven.

Yet ſome *Ends* 'tis plain,
He thereby did again,
By his Bouncing, his Threats, and Bravado's;
To Mince the *Allies,*
Like Meat into Pies,
And Comical *Rodomontado's.*

By this he made out,
His *Birth* beyond doubt,
And the certaineſt Proof did advance;
He never ſhou'd paſs
(Tho' he might for an Aſs)
For a *Baſtard,* but *True Son of France.*

And this is far more,
Than his *Grandſire* before,
Cou'd prove, tho' he bore the right Name;
For moſt People ſay,
He took the wrong way,
And in at a *Window* he came.

Q. Apollo, *whence came,*
This Proverb of Fame,
That tho' Friends may meet,
Yet Mountains ne'er Greet.

A. Tho' *Mountains* are Friends,
Or Ambitious Ends,
Who may bear the Name,
But ne'er prove the ſame;
Too Haughty and Proud,
Too Noiſy and Loud,
For ſuch ſoft Intent
Does Friendſhip Cement;
Their State muſt be equal,
Where that is the Sequel;
But theſe always vie,
For Supremacy,
Whoſe violent *Air,*
No *Rival* can bear.

Q *We oft have been told,*
That Apollo *of Old,*
By Oracle *Anſwer'd,*
All Queſtions where Tranſfer'd,
To his Shrine, and cou'd tell us
Things, e'er they befel us;
Now tell us we Pray thee,
(If Anſwer'd it may be)
When Peace, ſo long thought on,
Shall truly be brought on,
Or what is all one,
When the Wars ſhall be done?

A. When a *Fox* his Young *Cub,*
Shall of Honors undub,
And then turn Confeſſor,
To's *Punk,* nothing leſs, Sir,
And Chaſtiſe her well,
For the Damnable Spell,
She ſet on his Brain,
Which never again,
Since that time appear'd,
Nor ne'er will its ſea'd;

Then *Peace* ſhall return,

And you Freſh Incenſe Burn.

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SIR,

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From Cowes, July the 10th, They Write that the Fleet from Plimouth paſſed up the Channel, that on Saturday laſt his Grace the Duke of Bolton Governor of that Iſland Landed there.

London, July the 14th, Her Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint James Creſſet, Eſq. Her Majeſty's Envoy Extraordinary, to the Elector of Hanover and the Duke of Wolfenbuttle.

Which is all from Yours, &c.

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